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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please replace the abstract with the following replacement abstract:

A goods sales management system includes a plurality of goods-vending machines [[1]] each having a container capable of storing a plurality of goods and a vending machine management apparatus [[80]] connected to the goods vending machines [[1]] via a communication line. The goods vending machine [[1]] includes a time adjustment management unit [[64]] for making the time managed by itself coincide with the time information managed by the vending machine management apparatus [[80]], a delivered-goods number counting unit [[63]] for counting the number of the goods delivered from the container, a goods number setting unit [[62]] for setting the number of the goods storable in the container, and the information transmitter/receiver unit [[65]]. The information transmitter/receiver unit [[65]]transmits a request for restocking the goods and the time managed by the goods vending machines [[1]] to the vending machine management apparatus [[80]] when the number of the stored goods obtained by subtracting the number counted by the delivered-goods number counting unit [[63]] from the number set by the goods number setting unit [[62]] is less than the predetermined number of the remaining goods. The time managed by the vending machine management apparatus 80 coincide with the time managed by the goods vending machine 1. For this reason, it is possible to avoid the loss of the business opportunities for selling the good, and grasp the sales of the goods with accuracy.